

Listing of Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended): Metallic device ~~in light alloy, for use as~~ intermediate between any tripods ~~stand~~ and photographic cameras ~~camera~~, making it possible to position a crucial point of the lens, such as the nodal point or the focus, just above the rotation point of the head of the ~~tripod stand~~, so that the assembly including the photographic camera pivots around the focus of the lens.

2. (Currently amended): Device according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the device is ~~composed of~~ comprises three ~~metallie~~ plates ~~sliding~~ adapted to slide relative to each other, such that:

- the first plate, a base part, is adapted to be fixed to the head of the ~~tripod stand~~, ~~make it~~ possible for

- the second plate is adapted to slide the optical axis of the lens laterally on the rotation axis of the stand,

- these two ~~parts~~ plates being blocked, the third plate, ~~carrying~~ adapted to carry the photographic camera, ~~positions~~ is adapted to position the focus of the lens just above the rotation point of the head of the stand. ~~Some marking engraved on the plates can help to accomplish these functions with a maximum of ease and efficiency.~~

3. (New): Device according to claim 1, wherein the device is in light alloy.

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4. (New): Device according to claim 1, wherein the stand is a tripod.
5. (New): Device according to claim 2, wherein the plates are in light alloy.
6. (New): Device according to claim 2, wherein markings are located on the plates to help slide and position the plates.